

FREDERICKSBURG NATIONAL PARK

BY GENERAL HORATIO C. KING.

The bill for the establishment of a national park, embracing the four great battlefields of Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, the Wilderness and Spotsylvania, has passed the Senate twice and been reported favorably by the House Military Committee. It now awaits again the passage of Speaker Henderson. The War Department has recently reported some interesting figures touching the appropriation for the several parks, which show an extraordinary parity on the part of Congress for the West. In the East, Antietam, which is practically completed, has cost \$12,237, and Gettysburg \$12,232. While the parks at Chancellorsville and Chickamauga, Shiloh and Vicksburg have cost in the aggregate \$2,215,251, or more than four times as much as has been appropriated for the East. Two-thirds of the casualties in the great war occurred in the eastern armies, while four-fifths of the appropriations go to the West. The opposition to this new park by a minority of the committee is based mainly on the fact that there are a number of like applications from the West, which should be considered together. But not one has the claims which Fredericksburg has in its favor most interestingly, and the lapse of years since the great war have been almost forgotten. Troops from every State, North and South, were here arrayed in battle to the number of a half million, and more troops were here engaged than in any battles in the world's history. Those who were killed, wounded, and missing in both armies aggregated 225,835. The number of general officers killed was unprecedented. They included on the Union side Major-General John Sedgwick, Hiram G. Berry and Amiel W. Whipple. Brevet Major Generals James F. Wade and Alexander Hays, Brigadier-Generals George D. Bayard, Conrad F. Jackson, Edmund Kirby, James C. Rice, and Thomas G. Stevenson, and on the Confederate side Lieutenant-General Thomas J. (Stonewall) Jackson, Brigadier-Generals Thomas R. R. Cobb, Daniel, Amherst, Perry, Major Gregg, E. P. Paxton, J. M. Jones, Leroy A. Stafford, and Michael Jenkins.

Here is the largest national cemetery in the United States. It contains the remains of 15,000 Union soldiers.

ENTRENCHMENTS WELL PRESERVED.

The battlefields embrace an area of about 6,000 acres, which can now be purchased at an average of \$3 per acre. The entrenchments are still in a remarkable state of preservation, but are likely soon to be obliterated by the destruction of forests for timber, already falling a prey to the axe of the lumber mill.

Under the act of the Legislature of Virginia the land may be condemned at its fair value, and speculation is thus prevented.

No member of the large commission of 17, composed about equally of Union and Confederate veterans, can "have any capital stock or declare any dividends, as this corporation is not organized for country or personal gain or benefit." (Act of Legislature of Virginia, Section 1).

It is equidistant from Washington and Richmond; it is on a great trunk line, and is accessible from the National Capital in one hour and forty-five minutes. The climate will permit access at all seasons. No area in the world will attract more visitors.

It is nearer the center of population of both Northern and Southern soldiers than any other military park in the country, and readily accessible to all, and it affords also the best facilities for the concentration, instruction and mobilization of a great army.

AN HISTORIC SPOT.

Fredricksburg has other attractions of an earlier period. Here is the home of the mother of Washington, and here she was buried. Her residence remains intact, and a handsome monument has been erected to her memory by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

It was near the Falls of the Rappahannock, now within the limits of the city of Fredericksburg, that Captain John Smith anchored his little vessel and fought the Indians in 1608.

Near Fredericksburg was opened the first iron mine ever worked in America, from the products of which were made the cannon balls and cannon that served the colonies in their battles for freedom.

Near this city also Virginia's famous Governor Spotswood, whose name is still green in the annals of America, had his home.

Near Fredericksburg also George Washington was born, and in that city spent his boyhood days with his mother, growing into the man who was to make the greatest civil and military record in history. From that historic town he went to join the army under Braddock and began the career that made him immortal.

Fredricksburg is the most historic spot of a most historic State. Almost within sight of its steeples were born some of the foremost men of the country—Washington, Monroe, Jackson, Marshall, the Lees, both of the Revolution and Great War, and Zachary Taylor.

In Virginia the war began and ended, and not an acre of its soil, consecrated by the loss of more men than in any other battlefields of the Great War, has yet been dedicated as a national park.

It has received the official approval of the Secretary of War, of the Grand Army of the Republic, of the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, of the United Confederate Veterans, and the Legislature of Virginia has memorialized Congress to establish this park.

There are over 200 members of the association, including Major-General Sedgwick, Longstreet, Ruggles, Gordon, Chamberlain, Morgan, McMahon, Fitz Lee, Bragg, Rosser, Tracy, Bates, Censola, Wheeler and a host of other prominent figures on both sides of the Great War.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

FIFTEEN HUNDRED FOR AMERICAN

Cigarette Factory in Danville to Double its Capacity.

DANGER IN ENVIRONMENT

Admiral Schley Chatted in an Informal Way During Short Stop at Danville.

The May Festival Attracted Much Favorable Attention.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

DANVILLE, VA., May 10.—The American Tobacco Company has authorized its resident manager here to increase his force of cigarette makers to the full capacity of the plant. The plant has been working 700 cigarette makers for some time, but has a capacity of 1,500, and this means the employment of about 800 more girls and boys and a weekly payroll of more than \$50,000.

The labor secured here has been eminently satisfactory to the company, it seems, and it is thought to be partly due to this circumstance that the force at the Danville factory has been increased. It is apparent to disinterested persons who are at all familiar with the situation that at some points Danville's corporate limits do not extend out far enough by at least half a mile. There is a large population here doing business in the city, but living outside the corporation.

A DANGER THREATENS.

Some of these have not the same sewerage system that exists within the corporate limits, or to speak more correctly, they have a sewerage connection with the city's system, and it has been ascertained that in a number of instances the waste water is conveyed by pipes to cesspools, waterholes, or ravines, where there is danger of its reaching the source of the city's water supply and contaminating it. The matter is under investigation, and it is expected that a suitable remedy will be applied. There is apprehension in the minds of some also about contamination from the local factories which have been put in operation at Leesville, and this is regarded even less seriously than the projected developments of the Dan River Power and Manufacturing Company.

The suggestion has been made in all general sessions of the City Council take steps at once to discover some other source than Dan River from which the city may be supplied with water.

ADMIRAL SCHLEY.

Admiral Schley passed through this city on his way North on Tuesday and chatted pleasantly with a number of Danville people during the short time that his train was at the station. He said among other things that one of his boys had married a sweet Virginia girl, and he had a warm feeling for the people of the Old Dominion. He made a very favorable impression on those who had the pleasure of meeting him.

MAY FESTIVAL.

The May festival at the Academy of Music, here on Friday night, attracted a number of the lovers of music from neighboring towns, notably Chatham, and the Danville people turned out in large numbers to witness the fact that good music is thoroughly appreciated here. The concert by the Boston Festival Orchestra was given under the auspices of the choir of the Church of the Epiphany, and was most satisfactory to all who attended.

Mr. Scott Watson, who fell four stories through an elevator shaft in New York on Sunday, died on Wednesday morning. His remains reached this place on Thursday afternoon and were interred here. His brother, Mr. John T. Watson, of Richmond, was with him at the time of his death.

Efforts are being made to interest Danville people in another railroad project. The prospective road is designated as the Buckingham, Farmville and Danville Railroad, and was chartered at the last session of the Legislature. It is to start at Farmville, a point on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, in Buckingham county, and reach this point through Prince Edward, Charlotte and Halifax counties, covering a distance of about 100 miles.

There is no sort of question about its being a good thing for Danville if Danville can get it. Danville recently voted a very liberal subscription to a new railroad, and very little has been heard about it since.

ABOUT PEOPLE WHOM YOU KNOW

This phrase "one and all" reminds me of a story. It is the latest and it is from Lippincott's, and as it is about a minister, I may be allowed to pause long enough to tell it. He was a very distinguished clergyman, and he was officiating at a double wedding. When he came to the formula, "I pronounce you man and wife," he stopped and looked confused. It had not occurred to him until that instant that there were two men and two wives, and that he was in danger of mixing them. The silence became awkward, and in a fit of desperation he raised his hands and said solemnly: "I pronounce you, one and all, man and wife."

Returning to the Turk, I notice that as a rule the large denominations are growing larger, and the smaller denominations smaller. It is noticeable that Dr. Carroll is too prudent to venture a prediction as to the final outcome. It would be safe to say that the association is one of the strongest factors now employed in christianizing the Indians.

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SOUTHERN CHAMPIONSHIP.

Vanderbilt Won in the Track and Field Events.

(By Associated Press.)

NASHVILLE, Tenn., May 10.—The championship of the Southern track and field events went to Vanderbilt to-day by a total of 57 out of a possible 69.

An unfortunate misunderstanding as to the number of laps run in the mile threw the mile race out. Four colleges participated in the mile—Vanderbilt, University of Georgia, University of Texas and the University of Nashville. The teams scored as follows: Vanderbilt, 57; Texas, 24; Georgia, 17; Nashville, 1.

financial condition offers the solution to the problem. He reminds us that Lord Rothschild is president of the Council of the United Synagogue, the orthodox synagogue in which the doctrine "The Restoration to Palestine" is a cardinal dogma, and asks what my Lord is going to do about it. If he declines to cooperate in a plan to purchase the Holy Land now that the opportunity is open, why he as president of the Synagogue continues to countenance prayers for that restoration which he will have deliberately prevented?

The recent death of Newman Hall, of London, at eighty-six, and the successful passing of the eightieth milestone by Edward Everett Hale and Dr. Cuyler remind us that if preachers do not have a very good time in this life they stand a good chance of getting plenty of it. Both preachers and authors have a penchant for long lives, and the preacher who is also an author is apt to live a little longer than either. Newman Hall was for sixty years one of the most conspicuous figures in England. He was the intimate friend of Bright, Gladstone, Dean Stanley and Tennyson, and was held in high esteem by Queen Victoria. He was pastor of Rowland Hill's Chapel, London, from 1854 until 1892, when he was succeeded by the Rev. F. B. Meyer. In church he used the Anglican liturgy slightly modified, had a board of elders after the Presbyterian pattern, and had things his own way generally. He was a great preacher and a popular writer of tracts and books. His tract, "Come to Jesus," which was sold in millions of copies, has been distributed throughout the world. He wrote good verse, painted excellent pictures in water-color, preached on the streets, kept his pen busy, took prominent part in general assemblies, and found time for intimate association with the greatest minds of his long day.

Few lives have been so rich in noble purpose and inspiring deeds as that of Edward Everett Hale. Senator Hoar, who is nearly of Dr. Hale's age, declares that he does not know of any other living man who has exercised a more powerful influence on the practical life of his generation. He has been a pastor for fifty-eight years, and all the while a most prolific writer. He has not only served the church through his "Man Without a Country," and his pen has kept him in the public eye ever since. Perhaps some of us have forgotten that it was Dr. Hale's "Ten Times One is Ten," written nearly a half a century ago, that suggested the Lord-a-Hand clubs and Ten-Times-One associations which have been organized in almost every community in the land. He has been well called a "sweet-minded patriarch whose pattern of nobility consists in a wealth of pure thought, right purpose, and noble speech."

The Young Men's Christian Association is making encouraging headway in China, where it is known as the Brotherhood of Jesus Young Association. It has already attracted the attention of many prominent Chinese, some of whom are contributing to its support. Mr. R. E. Lewis, of the Y. M. C. A. in Shanghai, writes that he recently received a letter from a student of the Y. M. C. A. in Shanghai, who had been a member of the association since his boyhood, and who was now a student of the Y. M. C. A. in Shanghai.

This note about the work in China reminds me of the World's Conference of Young Men's Christian Associations, which meets once every four years, will be held this year in Christiania, Norway, in August next. The interesting matter connected with this announcement is that the Shanghai, or Parliament of Y. M. C. A. has made a government appropriation for the entertainment of the conference. The associations the world over are securing special rates and arranging itineraries for those who wish to attend and who would like to make short or long summer tours in Europe.

Speaking of the work of the association in China recalls the fact that this organization is doing a most effective work among the mountain Indians. Last year the Young Men's Christian Association of the Dakotas erected twelve log buildings for their meetings and reading-rooms. The Sioux have more than forty associations and employ a large number of men in their work. The association is one of the strongest factors now employed in christianizing the Indians.

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PHI CHI BANQUET.

Medical College Fraternity Celebrates at Murphy's.

The Phi Chi Fraternity of the University College of Medicine gave its annual banquet at Murphy's Hotel last night. The banquet was attended by members of the faculty and students of the college.

Dr. Hugh M. Taylor presided as toastmaster. The toasts and speakers were as follows:

"Pathies, the Different," Dr. Landon B. Edwards.

"Practicalism in Medicine," Dr. L. M. Cowardin.

"Nurses—Their Sphere as Doctors' Wives," Mr. T. M. Johnson.

"The State Board of Examiners—Its Past and Future Accomplishment," Dr. Paulus A. Irving.

"The Faculty," Dr. C. M. Baggerly.

"The Pleasures and Responsibilities of a Doctor," Dr. J. W. Henson.

"Experiences—Des-en-fants," Dr. H. W. Henson.

"The Phi Chi Fraternity—Its History," Mr. G. B. Graves.

The banquet committee was Dr. J. W. Henson and Dr. Charles M. Edwards, of University College, Messrs. J. W. Knapp and W. H. Saunders, of the students.

REOPENING OF JEFFERSON.

No Reception or Formalities to Mark the Event Thursday.

The Jefferson will be reopened on Thursday of this week.

It was learned last night that there would no formalities of any sort, but that during the day or evening Thursday—the hour not yet fixed—the doors of the hotel will be thrown open to receive guests. There will be no reception at this opening and no special invitation to the public to inspect it.

Admiral Schley Reviewing Officer.

(By Associated Press.)

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COLONEL MOSBY IN THE SADDLE AGAIN

Colonel John Mosby, whose raids made him one of the greatest terrors of the Civil War, is in the saddle again, says the Philadelphia North American.

The famous Confederate cavalry leader is causing consternation among the Western cattle kings who have calmly fenced in Uncle Sam's land and grown rich by using it for grazing purposes. Colonel Mosby, armed with governmental authority, has just precipitated himself into the cattle country with characteristic vigor and has ordered that the fences be removed and the small ranchman given an equal chance with the rich companies to graze his cattle on the free lands.

An appalling loss of life has resulted from the long-drawn-out fight between the big and little cattlemen. Sheep herders have always been regarded as an unmitigated nuisance by the cow raiser, by reason of the damage done to the grazing grounds by the sheep. Until Colonel Mosby arrived on the scene the plan of the cattlemen was to enclose a section of country in a fence and drive the sheep herders that death awaited them if they crossed the line.

Some sheep herders defied the cattle kings. They always got the worst of the fight, but they stood firm. Colonel Mosby declared the company is trying to evade the law, and threatens to pull down the fence unless it is removed in the given time.

Joseph Hartsell, a fearless ranchman of

Park county, Col., refused to be frightened away. He disappeared one day and his horse was never heard of.

A short time ago Matt Rush, a ranchman, who had penetrated the fenced land of one of the cattle companies and claimed honest rights, was killed while eating supper in his cabin. Rush's partner, Jack Dart, was shot dead as he ran from the cabin.

The history of the war between the cattle and sheep interests of the West is full of such incidents.

It is not likely that the old Confederate leader, Colonel Mosby, will quit before the threats of the cattle kings, and with his advent on the scene will begin a new chapter in the struggle. He has ordered the companies to take down their fences, and has allowed them a stated time to do the work. The cattle kings are defying Mosby. They assert that the law forbidding the fencing of grazing land is a dead letter. One company, which has fenced in 2,500 acres near Sterling, Col., has refused to remove its fences. Colonel Mosby has ordered the company to remove its fences, and has threatened to pull down the fence unless it is removed in the given time.

by each collision was approximately \$30, and by each derailment \$80.

No comparison can be made with former records, as records have never before been made for periods shorter than one year, and train accidents, as such, have not been reported to the Commission in any shape; but the diminution in "coupler accidents" due to the general use of automatic couplers may be roughly measured by comparing the present record for three months with one-fourth of the total for one year as shown in former reports. For the year ending June 30, 1901, the Commission reported 282 coupler accidents, and on account of which one-fourth of this number, 70.5, is more than twice the number now reported for one-quarter of a year.

An examination of the reports of individual cases in this class of accidents shows that an appreciable percentage is made up of cases occurring in what may be called emergency work, such as coupling to a car which has just been in a slight accident and on account of which the automatic coupler has been taken off the car or is out of order.

Another point noticeable in the individual reports is the occurrence of accidents to men who have been only a few months in the service.

HANNA PLEADS.

Tells Roosevelt That Rathbone Did Not Have a Fair Trial.

WASHINGTON, May 10.—Senator Hanna has presented to the President a memorial prepared in behalf of Estes B. Rathbone, urging the President to grant a new trial and to set aside the sentence imposed in Cuba on Rathbone for alleged maladministration of Cuban postal affairs.

The memorial asserts that a trial, according to American methods and under our system of judicial procedure would have resulted in the acquittal of Rathbone instead of his conviction.

Pope Receives the Queen.

ROME, May 10.—The Pope received in audience to-day former Queen Nathalie, of Serbia, who, immediately after she was introduced into the presence of the Pontiff, fell on her knees and expressed a wish to kiss his foot. His Holiness gently prevented her and listened while she recounted the troubles of her life. Some time elapsed before she was able to control herself.

Mr. James T. Vaughan continues critically ill at his residence, No. 937 West Grace Street.

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DR. PITT UNDER A CLOSE FIRE

thing out of the usual, except the Pollock gift of \$500, to be mentioned later on; and, while the Bible Band was increased, the missionary day collections fell off, so that the increase in the year's total is a healthy growth, and chiefly in the advance in the regular business of the board. The reserve fund has been increased by \$6,000, and now stands at the even sum of \$50,000, invested in safe, interest-bearing securities. In addition, \$12,000 have been set aside to start a building fund. This fund includes the house and lot in which the board conducts its business at present, and which, in the table of assets, is placed at something over \$10,000.

The appropriations for the year have been large, aggregating, as may be seen from the table, \$15,883.31, not including the mission fund, and chiefly in the remarkable year, and God has done great things for us, whereof we are glad.

The report makes an earnest plea for the reserve fund, makes special mention of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary lectures, especially by the board, and delivered this year by Dr. V. E. Hatcher, and speaks in high terms of the work of Rev. B. W. Spilman as field secretary.

Following are the chief items of receipts in the treasurer's report: Balance on hand May 1, 1901, \$1,114.92; periodicals, merchandise, advertising space, etc., \$8,212.00; mission day collections, \$7,158.22; interest on invested reserve fund, \$2,305.39; interest on building fund, \$30; contributions to Bible Fund, \$4,031.00; contributions to book and tract fund, \$36.54; rent on rooms, \$156; book endowment from P. D. Pollock, \$500. Total, \$20,406.63.

Disbursements: Denominational work, \$6,741.99; periodicals, \$4,212.30; merchandise, \$26,953.89; operating expenses, \$12,741.90; balance in bank, \$1,405.26. Total, \$50,406.63.

The board gave away 27,353 Bibles and Testaments, 2,200 copies of books, and 67,677 copies of tracts.

The total assets of the board are estimated at \$84,494.44; liabilities, nominal.

THE HOME MISSION BOARD.

The report of the Home Mission Board, through its corresponding secretary, F. C. McConnell, was presented Friday, and (in the opening paragraph of the report of Dr. F. H. Kerfoot, former corresponding secretary, and now Carter King, chairman of the Committee on Cuba.

The following summary of work done is given: Missionaries, 674; weeks of labor, 10,450; churches and stations, 1,737; sermons and addresses, 75,041; prayer meetings, 15,100; religious visits, 163,065; baptisms, 8,150; received by letter, 9,851; total additions, 17,391; churches constituted, 231.

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